

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Tetsujiro Kondo, et al.  
Serial No. : 10/089,925  
For : HIGH-QUALITY SPEECH SYNTHESIS DEVICE AND  
METHOD OF CLASSIFICATION AND PREDICTION  
PROCESSING OF SYNTHESIZED SOUND (AS AMENDED)  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 26, 2006, having a  
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on December 26, 2006, please amend the  
above-captioned application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 25 of this paper.